

MINISTERIO DE ASUNTOS EXTERIORES Y DE COOPERACION EMBAJADA DE ESPAÑA EN WASHINGTON

Hispanic Leaders Program 2014 Madrid, Spain March 2014

Description and Objective of the Program:

The annual Hispanic Leaders Program was founded in 1998 at the initiative of the U.S.-Spain Council (a private forum to enhance relations between the two countries), it is sponsored by the Fundación Carolina.

The objective of this program is to allow future Hispanic leaders from the United States to familiarize themselves firsthand with Spain's political, economic, social and cultural environment.

Since it's founding, close to 180 U.S. citizens of Hispanic origin have been chosen in a competitive selection process to participate in this program. This year the program will take place in March.

The content of the program and application requirements are described below.

1. Academic content of the program:

The program will focus on the following areas:

- Spain's political, economical and cultural overview
- Relations between Spain and the western hemisphere in particular the United States

2. Complementary activities:

- meetings with Spanish leaders
- institutional visits and meetings
- cultural visits

All activities will be carried out in Spanish, for this reason a good knowledge of that language is required.

3. Expenses:

The sponsors of the program will cover travel, lodging, food and medical insurance expenses.



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4. Application Requirements:

- U.S. citizenship of Hispanic origin
- ages 27-45
- good knowledge of Spanish
- an acceptance of the conditions, schedule and program of events of the seminar

5. Submission of applications:

Applications can be submitted electronically at <u>polimnia.rossin@maec.es</u> or should be sent to the following address:

Embassy of Spain Attn.: Programa de Líderes Hispanos 2375 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Washington D.C. 20037

Applicants must submit (two (2) copies IF mailed) the following documents:

- Application form
- Cover Letter

• Two letters of recommendation, at least one of which must concern applicant's professional activities (in Spanish or in English)

- U.S. passport or driver's license (must have a valid passport to travel to Spain)
- Résumé (in Spanish or in English)
- The deadline to submit your application is January 31, 2014